

Miscellaneous material concerning Communist Activity  
in Various Districts in China

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To: His Excellency HIRATA, Koki, Foreign Minister.  
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Concerning the Plot of the Third International

According to information received by the police station of this consulate, the Third International has decided to divide the sphere of activities of the Communist Party in China into Northern and Southern districts, with MAO TSE-TUNG (not clear), delegate of the China Communist Party resident in the Soviet Union, as the Chief of the Communist Party in the districts north of the Yellow River; SHANTUNG, HOPEI and Manchuria. As a result, MENG MIN has come into close contact with Japanese. Therefore, he is said to have employed Japanese EMILIKIN (once he worked under KUO YUAN SEN and then participated in the Battle of TSLINGTAO in 1914 as an attached interpreter. Afterwards, he joined the mounted bandits. He is about fifty years old) as his adviser. In addition, it was decided that CHU TEH and MAO TSE-TUNG continue to assume leadership in the Southern district. So far CHU TEH and MAO TSE-TUNG have

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been backed by the Soviet Union, but the results which they achieved have been far from satisfactory. This was the reason why it was decided to divide the sphere of activities of the Communist Party into two districts after the Soviet Union consulted with MAO TSE-TUNG. As a result, the Communist Party in the districts north of the Yellow River has apparently begun its activities. At the same time, it has apparently set about the organization of the Communist Army in Manchuria. That is to say, four army-corps have been organized for the whole of Manchuria and an army-corps stationed in LIN-CHI, KIRIN, HELLUNG-LING and JEHOL. In addition, army-corps have been organized and disposed in HOPEI, SHANTUNG, HONAN, SHANSI, SHENHSI, KANSU, HSILEH-LING, CHIANG and SUIKUAN. Thus, for the purpose of establishing a communist state in the north-western district, those armies began their activities on the 1st of the month by acting in concert with CAIJU Teh and MAO Tse-Tung in the southern district.

I report the above to you for your information. If any one to whom this copy has been sent happens to be able to establish the identity of LIAO KUAN, please report it to me. Addresses to which these copies shall be sent are as follows;

Minister in China, PEIPING, SHANGHAI, NANKIN, TIENSIN, CHINAN, KIULUNG, CHANGSHA, ICHING, CHUNJAKING, HANKING, CHANGCHHLIKOU.

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